# **EECBG Frequently Asked Questions**

### Ineligible, eligible, entitlement, non-entitlement; which one am I?

Eligible units of local government are cities and counties that were selected to receive direct funding from DOE. These are also referred to as entitlements.

In eligible units of local governments are all cities, towns, and counties that will not receive direct funding from DOE. These are also called non-entitlements.

# Do I need to register with FedConnect and (CCR) in order to apply?

<u>Entitlements:</u> Yes. Fedconnect registration is required in order to apply. A <u>Data Universal</u> <u>Numbering System (DUNS) number</u> and <u>Central Contractor Registration (CCR)</u> are required to register with FedConnect.

<u>Non-Entitlements:</u> It is not required to register with FedConnect in order to apply for EECBG funds from ADECA. However, open-competitive solicitations will be issued at a later date and will require it.

## Do all subgrantees have to provide assurances under the Davis-Bacon wage requirements?

Yes. All funds provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) fall under the "Wage Rate Requirements" provision noted in Title XVI, Sec. 1606 of ARRA.

The Energy Division will provide grant applicants with a template for this assurance at a later date.

#### How do we estimate the number of jobs that will be created/retained?

The proposed number of jobs should be estimated per \$92,000 of funding spent. Actual jobs created and retained will be reported quarterly to the Energy Division.

### Does the "Buy American" provision apply to these funds?

Yes. All funds provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) fall under the "Buy American" provision noted in Title XVI, Sec. 1605 of ARRA.

# Has the pre-application been released yet?

No. Once the pre-application is available, it will be emailed to local governments, and will be available for download on this webpage .

# Are revolving loan funds allowed?

Yes. Revolving loan funds are allowed. However, there is a 20% or \$250,000, whichever is greater, limit for the establishment of a revolving loan fund.

## How much can each ineligible unit of local government receive through the program?

Each ineligible unit of local government can receive up to \$250,000. However, multi-entity projects are encouraged and the maximum award would be the sum of limits for each entity. For example, if two cities and a county partnered for a multi-entity project, the maximum award would be \$750,000. Please note that only one entity will apply as the lead applicant on behalf of the multi-entity project. However, demonstrated commitment from the other participating local governments must be included.

If we are located within the jurisdiction of a county that will receive direct funding, are we still eligible to apply?

Yes. As long as you are not a city that will receive direct funding from DOE.

What about the competitive funding opportunities listed in the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA) and ARRA?

There will be two competitive grant programs. One is provided by EISA for non-entitlements and Indian tribes, and one is provided by ARRA of which details will be determined by DOE at a later date.